



Licensing and Appeals Committee

Date: Monday, 3 December 2018

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: The Council Antechamber, Level 2, Town Hall
Extension

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Membership of the Licensing and Appeals Committee

Councillors - Ludford (Chair), Grimshaw (Deputy Chair), Barrett, Chohan, Evans, Hassan, J Hughes, Jeavons, T Judge, S Lynch, McHale, Madeleine Monaghan, C Paul, J Reid and Stone

Agenda

1. Urgent Business

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

2. Appeals

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

4. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2018.

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5. Report on Equalities Act 2010 – Implementation of Sections 165 & 167

The report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing will follow.

Information about the Committee

The Licensing and Appeals Committee discharges the duties of the Council in relation to a range of licensing and registration functions.

In general, decisions are made by the Committee under powers delegated to it under the Council Constitution and will not require to be referred to the Council for approval. Meetings are controlled by the chair, who is responsible for seeing that the business on the agenda is dealt with properly.

The Committee has previously agreed detailed procedures for dealing with certain types of applications. The role of officers at meetings is to present reports and to give procedural or legal guidance to the Committee

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The Council is concerned to ensure that its meetings are as open as possible and confidential business is kept to the strict minimum. When confidential items are involved these are considered at the end of the meeting at which point members of the public are asked to leave.

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Minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2018

Present

Councillor Ludford (in the Chair)

Councillors Chohan, Grimshaw, Hassan, Hughes, Jeavons, T. Judge, Lynch, McHale, Reid and Stone.

Apologies

Councillors Barrett, Evans and Madeleine Monaghan

LAP/18/27 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 10 September 2018 were submitted for consideration as a correct record.

Decision

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2018.

LAP/18/28 Application to Register Land Known as Godfrey Ermen Playing Field, Abbey Hey as a Town or Village Green (Application TG18)

The Committee were presented with the report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing which provided the outcome of a non-statutory public enquiry into the Application to register land known as Godfrey Ermen Playing Field, Abbey Hey as a Town or Village Green (Application TG18).

The Committee was advised that a letter had been received from the solicitors acting on behalf of the owners of the land concerned. The letter requested that consideration of the matter be adjourned for three months before the Committee took a final decision to enable the land owner to consult with the Council and local residents about possible alternatives which would be consistent with the Trustees' charitable objective and would provide a sustainable asset for the benefit of the local area.

The Committee received submissions from Councillor Reid and Councillor Hughes and a member of the public present in response to the request.

The Chair requested members of the public and Councillor Reid and Councillor Hughes to leave the meeting while the Committee considered the request.

The Committee unanimously decided that consideration of the application would not be adjourned for a period of three months.

The members of the public and Councillor Reid and Councillor Hughes were invited back into the meeting room.

The Chair proceeded with the meeting and invited the Principal Licensing Officer to introduce the report.

The Committee was informed that in May 2016, the Council as Registration Authority, received an application under Section 15(1) of the Commons Act 2006 to register as a Town or Village Green land known as Godfrey Ermen Playing Field, Abbey Hey. Following the advertisement of the application, two objections were received, one from the Greater Manchester Trust for Recreation and one from a local resident. A non-statutory inquiry took place in Manchester between 22 and 25 May 2018 where both the applicants and the Trust (as objector) were represented by counsel. The report prepared by the inspector was attached to the report submitted (Appendix 2).

Decision

1. To approve the application to register land known as Godfrey Ermen Playing Field, Abbey Hey, Manchester (as detailed in the plan in Appendix 1 of the report submitted) for the reasons as set out in the report.
2. To note that the Council is to take all necessary steps to confirm the registration of the land.

(Councillor Hughes and Councillor Reid each declared a prejudicial interest in respect of the above item and took no part in voting on the item.)